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Poloff discussed reftel points with Peter Huber, MFA Director for International Organizations, on December 15. Huber noted the current discussions in the UNGA on the Secretary General's (SYG) plan, and told Poloff the U.S. submission was the first concrete proposal the GOA had received. Huber said the GOA was also concerned about the high cost of the SYG's proposal; although they had considered the proposal proffered in March, the GOA's top priority was to find a plan which would alleviate the high vacancy rate in the field. He said his office would forward the information to its UN Mission. Poloff will report further developments via septel.
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